

mate of the amounts to be required for the operation of such agency during the ensuing fiscal year, classified in such form and containing such other information as the County Commissioners shall require from time to time. Such estimate shall be submitted under the oath of the official in charge of such agency that such estimate and the matters and facts contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief. The term "county agency" shall include any office, department, board, bureau, agency, or institution receiving any appropriation from county funds, whether or not the officers thereof be elected or appointed or whether they be County or State officers. The Board of County Commissioners shall also submit a detailed and itemized estimate of the amounts for the operation of its office as well as for other expenditures to be made at the direction of said Board.

466A. Before [October] *November* 1st in each year, the County Commissioners shall prepare a proposed budget, containing the following items:

(a) A fully itemized and detailed statement, in comparative form, of the aforesaid itemized amounts requested by each county agency, the amounts appropriated for the current fiscal year for each such agency, and the appropriation recommended for each such agency by the County Commissioners for the ensuing year.

(b) A detailed statement showing all anticipated county receipts, the estimated assessable basis, together with the estimated tax rates or rates required by the recommended appropriations. This statement should be in comparative form showing estimated receipts for the current year, the taxable basis, and the current rate.

(c) A list of payments to be made upon principal and interest of outstanding debts of Harford County during the ensuing fiscal year.

(d) A list of all other anticipated expenses, including a proper allowance for a contingent fund, not exceeding \$25,000.00 per year.

(e) The proposed budget may properly include appropriations for the purpose of purchasing, improving or erecting buildings or constructing capital improvements for the purpose of conducting duly authorized county functions, or for the purpose of creating a fund for capital improvements beyond the current year.